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Sen. Allen welcomes Eastport pastor to deliver Senate invocation

LANSING – The Michigan Senate started session Tuesday with a prayer from an Eastport pastor as the guest of Sen. Jason Allen, R- Traverse City.

Pastor Jerry Troyer of the Eastport Baptist Church in Antrim County offered the daily invocation.

“It was an honor to hear Pastor Troyer’s meaningful remarks as he lead us in the invocation,” Allen said. “I enjoy having leaders of our churches and temples from northern Michigan come to Lansing and offer words of spiritual guidance.”

The Michigan Senate starts every session day with an opening prayer by a senator or their guest, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Allen said he enjoys inviting local religious leaders to give the invocation.

“His heartfelt words gave us purpose and direction as we went about our work for the day to make Michigan a better place for everyone to call home,” Allen said. “It was a pleasure to welcome the pastor along with his wife and children to the Capitol.”

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Editor’s note: A photo of Sen. Allen and Pastor Troyer will be available tomorrow morning, Wednesday, May 10 on the Web at:

<http://www.senate.michigan.gov/gop/photowire/Allen/Allen.htm>